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Minden Hills accrues huge surplus for 2018

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

The Township of Minden Hills has accrued a very large surplus for 2018, one totalling almost \$700,000.

That represents 8.75 per cent of the township's 2018 tax levy, or 4.2 per cent of all budgeted expenses.

Councillors received a report on the surplus from treasurer and chief administrative officer Lorrie Blanchard during an April 11 committee-of-the-whole meeting.

"We're looking at a significant surplus for 2018," Blanchard said. "I sort of presented it to council in various ways, so you can kind of see where the surpluses are coming from."

Much of the surplus, 54 per cent, comes from unfilled staffing positions.

"A good, good portion of the surplus relates to staffing," Blanchard said. "Honestly, that just boils down to a challenge in filling positions."

The township had trouble filling a number of positions last year, particularly part-time, seasonal and student positions within the community services department.

"When you have staffing shortages, that just extrapolates out into an inability to do proj-

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Meeting the challenge

Brianne Pockett laughs while watching teachers Michelle Backus, left, and Jennifer Paton eat mealworm tarts as part of the teacher challenge of the Light It Up Blue fundraiser at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. Other challenges included a sardine smoothie for Steve Smith, leg waxing for teachers Mike Gaffney and Dan Fockler, bug helmets worn by Ginny Marsden and Kathryn Darling, a blue man suit with tutu worn by Paul Longo, and Stacey Ingram walking backward for the day. More than \$2,300 was raised for Practical Academic and Life Skills students and Autism Ontario - Peterborough Branch. /DARREN LUM Staff

Council to vote on spreading field later this month

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Minden Hills councillors will vote on zoning bylaw and official plan amendments to allow for the operation of a septage-spreading field off of Bobcaygeon Road at their next council meeting on April 25.

During a public meeting in March, councillors heard from a number of area residents

who were concerned about issues such as odour and potential water contamination from the facility, which would allow for sewage spreading on approximately 18 acres of a 117-acre property north of the village of Minden.

Carnarvon's Francis Thomas Contracting has secured an environmental compliance approval from the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks for the operation of the site and, as Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin pointed out, this means the site has met all of the ministry's requirements.

"They look into the minutiae of all the technicality," Devolin said, during an April 11 committee-of-the-whole meeting, adding there were 34 criteria that needed to be met.

Compliance with permitted uses under local zoning bylaws is not a requirement of an ECA from the ministry.

Features like berms and vegetative buffers must be included, and there are monitoring wells on the site as well. The property's soil depth, difficult to find in the rocky terrain of the county, is what has made the property the

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Large surpluses in recent years

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ects you had budgeted for,” Blanchard said.

A staff report on ways council might choose to spend the money, along with more than \$540,000 in one-time funding it is receiving from the province, will come back to the council table. Early in the 2019 budget process, council deferred \$1 million worth of roads projects to 2020 budget discus-

sions, including a \$400,000 refurbishment of the Sunnybrook Bridge in downtown Minden. It is likely that much of the surplus will be allotted to roads and landfill projects.

“The needs for this money to go to . . . it’s not lacking,” said Mayor Brent Devolin.

The Minden Hills surplus for 2017 was just less than \$50,000; in 2016 more than \$420,000; and in 2015, approximately \$690,000.

Devolin supportive of application

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ideal candidate for the company.

“It’s at a depth and a quality we don’t see very much in the whole of the county,” Devolin said.

Other members of council remained skeptical.

“So decide when you want to sit outside, or even have the windows open in your house,” said Councillor Jean Neville, expressing concern that neighbouring properties would be undated by odour.

The closest residences are about 230 metres away from the site.

Planner Ian Clendening, responding to concerns from the March meeting that the spreading field would impact a future growth area for the village, said that according to his calculations, based on its current rate of growth, it would take Minden another 225 years of growth before that area would be used for a subdivision.

Clendening told councillors he believed the application represented good planning.

“I believe this is appropriate for the area,” he said.

“I think from the public’s perspective, we’ve done our due diligence within our authority,” Devolin said. “I agree with our planner that this should move forward.”



Driving funds for foundation

Members of the Ontario Federation of 4Wheel Drive Recreationists present a cheque to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation, with proceeds from their annual Northern Lights Charity Trailfest, which takes place in the Minden area. This year, the group raised \$4,650. During the 16 years the event has been held, the organization has given more than \$75,000 to the foundation. The foundation raises funds for capital purchases at the HHS sites. /CHAD INGRAM Staff

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Hydro One meeting offers transformer station expansion details

by **DARREN LUM**
Times Staff

A community open house on Tuesday, April 9 at the Minden Legion hosted by Hydro One provided the public an opportunity to learn and ask questions about the upcoming Minden transformer station expansion project.

Hydro One manager of projects Gianni DiFilippo said this project will cost close to \$33 million and this upcoming work will modernize the station, bring greater electrical capacity and provide reliable energy.

He said the upgrades will include technological improvements and provide operating flexibility, which could have enabled Hydro One to reduce the response time to the fire last year that destroyed the T1 transformer that left some 20,000 customers in the dark for at least a few hours.

“One example is we’ll be able to respond quicker to outage scenarios by having remote switching capability from our operating control centre in Barrie so rather than dispatching crews we can actually operate the station remotely,” he said. “And that helps reduce the response time to certain events. Every event is a little different, but that’s some of the modernization that we’re working on or they’ll be part of the project to allow that happen.”

Originally built in the 1950s, the Minden transformer station was in need of investment for the future.

“The existing station has been here for 70 years, powering the community and as part of that investment we want to make sure that we’re providing a reliable supply of electricity as we are now. As well as providing future growth and capacity so the size of the transformers will be able to sustain



Highlands residents listen to Hydro One representatives at the community open house on Tuesday, April 9 at the Minden Legion hosted by Hydro One about the upcoming Minden transformer station expansion project. The work, which will modernize the station for greater capacity and reliability, starts in June and is expected to be completed by March 2021. /DARREN LUM Staff

greater load and more growth in the area in the future should it be required. The station will be future-proof for many years to come,” he said.

The project will be implemented in five stages, starting with site preparation, followed by installation of the T2 transformer, then the construction of two new buildings and technical upgrades, then installation of T1 transformer and finish with removal of the old station equipment. The work is expected to start in June this year and is expected to be completed by March 2021.

A few residents came in with questions related to project details and what disruption to power there will be.

“The plan right now is to minimize that disruption. We think we have that to a very short duration,” he said, referring to a half a day. “It all has to do with the way the work is staged.”

There will be notices made through media and customers will be notified of any power outages related to the work

closer to the date. Power outages are likely to be only a few hours due to temporary shutdown to switching transformers. Work will be performed during the day and traffic delays, if any near the site, will be minimal.

During the site preparation stage, there will be the removal of trees on the property to expand for the buildings and new fence. Hydro One has committed to donating the wood to the Heat Bank Haliburton County.

Tina Jackson of Heat Bank Haliburton County said when she was contacted a little more than two weeks ago welcomed the donation. She said this donation, which she estimates will provide a quarter of last year’s collected wood, was based on a recommendation made by local resident Ryan Wood, who works for Hydro One and knows about the Heat Bank.

Additional information about the project or any questions can be directed to Hydro One’s community relations at Community.Relations@HydroOne.com or (416)-345-6799.

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— GIANNI DIFILIPPO

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The Township of Minden Hills has retained MacDonald Brothers Construction as the Design Builder for the Arena Renewal project. Those interested in submitting a bid(s) for any of the related components of the project, please visit the MBC Tender Portal, available on the Township's website at www.mindenhills.ca/s-g-nesbitt-memorial-arena-renewal/

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May 9 - Committee of the Whole Meeting
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The proposed changes to the Township of Minden Hills Road Naming By-law is the addition of two new private roads being Stargazer Drive and Wharf Drive.

A copy of the proposed By-law is available from the Township Office during regular business hours or by visiting the Township's website at www.mindenhills.ca.

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County to undertake website redesign

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

The County of Haliburton, along with the Township of Minden Hills and Municipality of Highlands East, will put out a joint request for proposals for the redesign of their websites.

“The current website is just over five years old, it’s not mobile-friendly,” county IT director Mike March told councillors on the finance and correspondence committee during an April 10 meeting.

“There is no email subscription component for e-communications to ratepayers and staff have mentioned that updating information on

certain websites can be cumbersome,” a report from March read.

The current County of Haliburton website was done in-house.

Minden Hills and Highlands East each have aging websites as well, with redesigns on the books for 2019, so a joint RFP will be sent out. The county has \$15,000 in its 2019 budget for a website redesign.

Algonquin Highlands Deputy Mayor Liz Danielsen wanted to know why all the townships had not been involved. March said he was aware that Algonquin Highlands had created a new website in the recent past.

Dysart et al will be creating a new website in-house.

“Is there an opportunity later on for us to piggyback on this?” Dysart et al Deputy Mayor Pat Kennedy asked.

There was indication that could be the case, and county chief administrative officer Mike Rutter said the fee structure on the RFP could be changed in such a way as to give the two other townships a chance to opt in should they wish.

Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin thought there would be room for collaboration.

“It’s kind of like building cars on the same platform,” Devolin said.

The RFP closes May 9 and the plan is for county council to award the contract during a June 26 meeting.

“It could be a three- to six-month project once it gets started,” March said.

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The current website is just over five years old, it’s not mobile-friendly.

— IT DIRECTOR MIKE MARCH

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Federal grants go to county organizations

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Some county organizations have received funding through the federal New Horizons for Seniors Program.

SIRCH Community Services has received \$25,000 to conduct Family Roots, a year-long pilot project that will assist seniors with genealogical research. The program will match volunteers with isolated or vulnerable seniors and together they will conduct family research. Local genealogist Donna Gagnon will provide training.

“The wonderful thing about this pilot project is the opportunity for vulnerable and isolated seniors to feel connected and empowered by learning more about themselves and their ancestors through doing family research,” Gagnon said in a release from SIRCH. “We are excited to offer a new educational training opportunity that will be informative, interesting and most importantly fun!”

The Abbey Retreat Centre, a retreat at Abbey Gardens for people living with cancer, received about \$12,200 from the fund for the creation of a training program for seniors,

by seniors.

“The goal of the grant is for us to develop a seniors-to-seniors . . . I’ll call it a capacity-building program,” retreat centre executive director Doug Norris told the paper, explaining the training program will build seniors’ volunteering skills, in helping to care for those with cancer, but also just for general, community volunteerism.

Some of the money will also be used to modify some space at the retreat – “a space for volunteers to be together, kind of like a staff room type of space,” Norris said – as well as upgrading some technology at the centre.

The Wilberforce Curling Club also received a grant of \$18,650 for a project, but members said that due to language in their agreement, they were not able to discuss the details of that project until later in the month.

“It’s imperative to recognize the valuable contribution seniors have made to our society,” Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MP Jamie Schmale said in a release. “By supporting New Horizons for Seniors Program projects, we are acting to ensure that seniors are able to maintain a good quality of life and continue to be active members of their communities.”

More than \$256,000 in New Horizons funding was announced throughout the riding.

Job seekers and employers invited to Job Fair

If you are looking for work, the Haliburton County Job Fair is the place to be on Thursday, April 25.

Hosted by Fleming CREW Employment Centre and taking place at Pinestone Resort between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., the Job Fair is an opportunity for job seekers to meet face-to-face with employers from across Haliburton County who are looking to fill full-time, part-time, seasonal and permanent positions.

Attendees are encouraged to bring recent copies of their resumes and be prepared to share strengths and work experience with potential employers.

Participation in the Haliburton County Job Fair is free for employers and job seekers. There will be a chance to win door prizes, and

refreshments will be generously provided by Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre.

Business owners wishing to take advantage of this recruitment opportunity are encouraged to call Fleming CREW Employment Centre before Friday, April 19 to secure their space.

Job seekers who would like assistance with refreshing their resume or arranging transportation to and from the event can contact Fleming CREW Employment Centre 705-457-2020, flemingcrew@flemingcollege.ca or visit 49 Maple Avenue to speak with an employment and training consultant between Monday and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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String quartet to launch 2019 concert series

The Haliburton Concert Series will open its 2019 season on Sunday, May 5 with a concert by the Rolston String Quartet.

This young Canadian quartet has been winning competitions and presenting concerts all over the world, and were named one of CBC's "30 Hot Canadian Musicians under 30" in 2016. They are now the quartet-in-residence at the Yale School of Music. Organizers are thrilled that they will be presenting a concert in Haliburton in which they will play music by Mozart, R. Murray Schafer, and Brahms. It will be a memorable afternoon.

The concert will be held at 2:30 p.m. in the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion

in the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. Complimentary refreshments will be served at intermission, and after the concert there will be an opportunity to meet the musicians.

Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$10 for students. Subscription packages are also available. Contact Fred Shuttleworth at 705-455-9060 or fred.ann.shuttleworth. Full details are available at www.haliburtoncs.blogspot.com.

The organizers of the concert series are grateful to the Ontario Arts Council for their generous support of their concerts.

Submitted by Elaine Bell



Named one of CBC's "30 hot Canadian musicians under 30" in 2016, the Rolston String Quartet will be presenting a concert in Haliburton as the kick-off to the 2019 Haliburton Concert Series. / Bo Huang Photography

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Retirement community

AS THE COUNTY'S population continues to grow, many of its new residents skew older in age. Many are retirees looking to leave life in the city, either moving to what has been a family cottaging property, or simply looking to live in a smaller, quieter community as they move into their twilight years.

But will those retirees find everything they're expecting to find in Haliburton County? And is its lack of some basic services deterring those who might otherwise move here?

When it comes to services, especially ones that people retiring from the city may expect to find, there remain a few glaring gaps in the county. One is its continued lack of public transportation of any kind. With the exception of specialized transportation for medical appointments, etc., county residents are left to their own devices when it comes to getting around, and for most of us that means heavy reliance on personal vehicles. It remains unclear whether Haliburton County council will actually implement an implementation plan it commissioned from a consulting firm last year for the creation of a booked, shared ride service within the county.

Another missing service is door-to-door garbage and recycling collection. Unless

you're a resident of a multi-unit building, living in Haliburton County means regular trips to the landfill, or hiring someone to take your waste there for you.

Now, let's take a hypothetical couple, let's call them Harold and Peggy. Harold and Peggy are both 68, recently retired, are selling their house in Pickering and looking to downsize in a small community north of the GTA. Both have the sort of

health afflictions people approaching 70 might have.

Let's say Harold has COPD, and Peggy has chronic arthritis which causes her to use a cane, as well as failing eyesight that means she doesn't like to drive the car

much anymore. When Harold and Peggy find out that moving to Haliburton County means no public transportation and having to deposit their own waste at the landfill once a week, it would be conceivable that they would look at properties somewhere else.

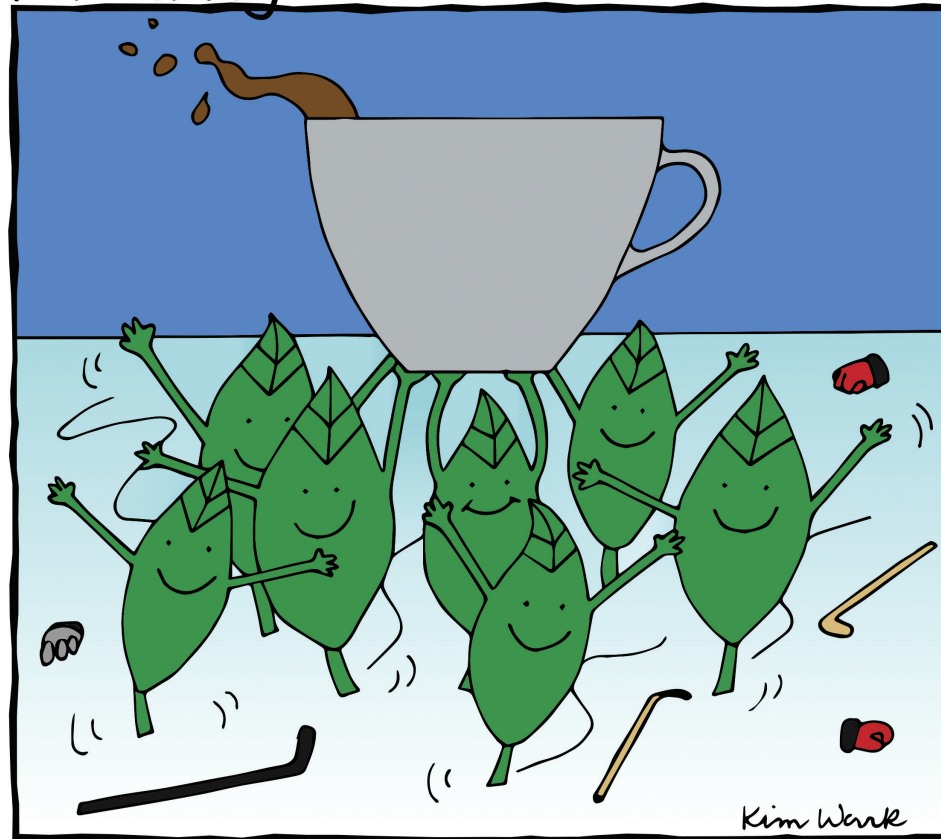
There also remain a number of accessibility issues, including in some public buildings and publicly owned outdoor spaces, throughout the county.

Municipal governance anywhere means trying to balance needs of an entire population, but in a community where most new residents are clearly older people, more needs to be done to ensure that the types of basic services they expect are available.



CHAD INGRAM
Reporter

Kwarky



The Leafs win the cup!

Kim Wank

Hammock camping and other money pits

OVER THE WINTER, perhaps because I was suffering from a severe case of cabin fever, I became unnaturally interested in hammock camping. This is something no man should do.

You see, at that time hammock camping was a little known and archaic branch of camping that I had yet to spend a small fortune on.

I'm happy to say, since then, all that has changed.

Hammock camping is one of those classic outdoors endeavors that investors looking for a good return on their money ought to be aware of. In fact, I like to think of the hammock merely as the gateway drug.

It starts simply enough with the cool kids telling you that you don't have to lug a heavy, expensive tent around whenever you go backpacking. Instead, they say, you can carry a hammock which is lightweight, packs down to the size of a softball, and is easy to set up and also relatively inexpensive, starting at around \$80.

It's only after you buy it that they spring the trap.

First, you learn that, while sleeping in a hammock is a wonderful way to camp, you need a specially designed, proprietary bug net to surround the hammock. And lucky for you, they sell these for just slightly more than the price of the hammock – which seems a bit steep.

As reluctant as you are to spend the money, you quickly realize that without one, your hammock is just a serving tray for mosquitoes. No one wants that, so you open your wallet yet again.

Almost as soon as you've got the bug net home, you discover that you also need a lightweight tarp to keep the rain out. This makes

sense since there has never been a camping trip in the history of mankind that did not start and end with heavy downpours.

Sadly, you can't buy one of those heavy tarps you get at the hardware store because, if you do that, you'll negate the point of having an ultralightweight camping system – which is, let's face it, the whole point of hammock camping. The price tag on the proper lightweight tarp is somewhere between \$80 and \$300 but, you convince yourself, it's money well spent.

I mean, at this point you have already invested a pile of money into your hammock so why not, right?

This is when your belated research breaks the final bit of news to you. You suddenly learn that hammocks are comfortable but the only problem is that the cold air rising from the ground will make sure you have a miserable night's sleep – unless you get the

specially-made, space-age, ultralightweight, proprietary hammock quilt – which comes at a price tag of \$300 or so.

Needless to say, no one wants to be cold so it's "in for a penny, in for a pound" providing the exchange rate for one pound is \$300.

The good news is with that final purchase you have a wonderful ultra light, hammock camping system – all for the low price of a used RV – that you can be proud of and use any time you are going camping alone.

Otherwise, you'll probably use your other tent.

The good news is that all those hammock expenses are going to pay off. You're going to have plenty of opportunity to use that hammock – the minute your significant other finds all the receipts.



STEVE GALEA
Beyond 35

IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

The miracles of spring

I AM WALKING in the almost-spring woods, hoping not to slip and fall on one of the remaining icy patches left by the melting snow. If I do, I can't phone for help because I have left my ever-present smartphone at the cottage.

I did not forget the phone. I left it behind deliberately.

These handheld marvels of digital technology give access to acres of information, but nothing as informative as the spring woods. Out here, cellphones are just an unwanted intrusion.

The spring woods are alive with information about life and living. The information is all genuine. There is no fake news here. This is the place where you see, hear and smell the miracles of life on this planet.



JIM POLING SR.

From Shaman's Rock

A couple of turkeys huddle nervously beneath a heavily-boughed spruce. They appear weak from hunger, which is possibly why they have decided to hide rather than run.

Turkeys are not good flyers, which explains why they suffer through the cruelty of our winters. How they survive the minus 20 and minus 30 temperatures in snows that bury most food sources is a miracle of the woods.

Smaller birds like chickadees flit from tree to tree, appearing frantic in their search for food morsels.

They are not as desperate as we might think. They survived the winter by preparing for it. They searched out roosting cavities protected from icy winds and blowing snow and stored food in hidden caches.

Their advance planning, plus thick winter feather cover and the ability to lower their body temperature to conserve energy, got them through conditions that an unprepared human would never survive.

The trees they flit through stand stark and still, appearing hypnotized in the early morning chill, but there are signs that they are beginning to warm and awaken.

The oaks, maples and beeches are truly miracles of life in the woods. The early morning sun caressing their crowns glistens on bud shells soon to burst, giving birth to a new year of foliage. How do they know when to bud, or when to drop their autumn leaves to save energy?

More advanced than any of the trees are the small willows that already bear buds – furry grey-white catkins that reminded some earlier people of small cats, or pussies. Thus the “pussy willow,” an important symbol of Easter in some traditions and the alarm clock that tells the other trees and plants it is time to wake up.

The greatest miracles of the spring woods are tiny and unseen unless you bend low and concentrate on looking for them.

A little ant runs across the face of a rotten log that has been thawed by the sun. I brush away some dead leaves beside it and see green shoots pushing through the moist dark earth. Some seeds, no bigger than flecks of black pepper, have landed here, and encouraged by water droplets from melting snow and the sun's warmth, are creating another miracle of new life.

There is no antonym to accurately describe the opposite of miracle but I see what one word cannot picture when I walk from the woods and out onto Highway 35. A discarded cigarette pack rots in a wet ditch and nearby an empty beer can rocks in the morning breeze.

The beer can is a new addition to the garbage tossed from car windows along this stretch of highway. It wasn't here an hour ago when I walked past.

“Who would be drinking beer at 9:30 in the morning?” I ask myself, before remembering that politicians are encouraging more alcohol consumption. Ontario has just allowed licensed establishments to start serving booze at 9 a.m.

I think of that tiny ant on the log back in the spring woods. Its brain is smaller than a grain of sand yet, unlike so many humans, understands its place in nature and the importance of trying to keep it natural.

I can't think of an ant without thinking of E. O. Wilson, the American biologist and expert on insect life.

“If all mankind were to disappear,” Wilson has said, “the world would regenerate back to the rich state of equilibrium that existed ten thousand years ago. If insects were to vanish, the environment would collapse into chaos.”

letters to the editor

Skating carnival impresses

To the Editor,

I was fortunate enough to attend the Minden Skating Carnival on Sunday and was very impressed. Kudos to all who were involved in presenting this performance.

The choreography was impressive, the skating was excellent, and the costumes were beautiful. Bravo!

**An enthusiastic spectator,
Judy Neimann**

Requesting real dialogue

To the Editor,

I am writing with two concerns. First the actions of Premier Doug Ford and the Ontario government around education and second the lack of meaningful communication from our representative, Laurie Scott.

It should be noted that Lisa Thompson, our Minister of Education, has no education degree, has no teaching experience and has never worked in an education environment. Seems outrageously odd to me.

I would note that I taught high school for 30 years, so have experience to speak from.

Many of the changes in education by this government are untenable. The raising of class sizes from an average of 22 to 28 with some classes being as large as 36 to 40, will negatively affect

the quality of learning.

Also, mandatory online courses is also an idea fraught with problems. One being poor internet connections for many that make it difficult and expensive. Again, I have experience by virtue of the internet service where I live.

There are other issues such as the loss of teaching jobs.

The bottom line is that attending breakfasts, lunches and ribbon cutting events, while a necessary part of the job, are not what the priorities should be. We need our representative to come out from behind Doug Ford and the party line, metaphorically and literally, and speak to her constituents directly. Real dialogue is needed.

**Greg J. Roe
Minden Hills**

Muscle cramps

ICRAMP FROM time-to-time but thankfully not that often. Sometimes in the middle of the night, when I stretch out, I can feel my calf muscle starting to seize up. I've learned that if I jump out of bed and get my feet flat on the floor quickly enough the cramp will subside. Last summer I had the start of a cramp in both calves at the same time. It was a quick and awkward jump out of a sleeping bag as it happened when I was camping. Not an easy feat.

Aside from knowing that they happen I didn't know much about them until now. A muscle cramp is an involuntary contraction of one or more muscles that result in severe pain. They are usually harmless but they can make using that muscle or group of muscles impossible for a period of time.

Muscle cramps can be caused by the overuse of the muscle, dehydration, muscle strain or being in one position for too long. Sometimes getting cramps on a regular basis can be related to an underlying medical condition such as inadequate blood supply due to the narrowing of arteries, compression of the nerves in the spine, and/or not having enough minerals (potassium, calcium or magnesium) in your diet.

If a muscle cramp does happen you can try one of the following to relieve the pain:

- Stretch the muscle(s) that is cramping (jumping out of bed works).
- Massage the muscle.
- Heat in the form of a hot bath or a heating pad will relax the muscle.
- Hydrate.



LAURIE SWEIG

Practical Fitness

As with any physical ailment prevention is always the better route to take. Keeping hydrated is one of the best defences to muscle cramps. Fluids help your muscle contract and relax smoothly. So many of us are often more dehydrated than we think we are. Water is the best thing to consume to avoid dehydration.

Doing a regular stretching routine also keeps our muscles moving well. Stretching should be done on a daily basis whether you're exercising or not.

Lastly – eat a balanced diet that is full of vitamins and minerals.

Now we both know a little more about muscle cramps and how to prevent them.

Something to think about.

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TLDSB director says no discipline for students, teachers after walkout

by **SUE TIFFIN**
Times Staff

Larry Hope, director of Trillium Lakelands District School Board said that no disciplinary action was taken on staff, or on students or parents participating in the #StudentsSayNo walkout on April 4 because it was not warranted.

"In TLDSB at this point we have no evidence to suggest that any kind of discipline is required," he said. "We were not given any kind of feedback from local law enforcement that students behaved inappropriately, our principals have not reported back to us that there was any inappropriate conduct of teachers or of students or of parents for that matter because we did have some parents supporting this."

Hope was responding to an open letter written to him by representatives of the Trillium Lakelands Elementary Teachers Local of the Elementary Teachers Federation of Ontario and the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation on April 8.

The letter to Hope came after Minister of Education Lisa Thompson spoke against the province-wide student-led walkouts held in the afternoon of April 4.

An estimated 100,000 or more students from 700 elementary and secondary schools – including all seven secondary schools in the TLDSB – participated in the walkout to protest the Progressive Conservative government's proposed changes to public education, including OSAP cuts, class size changes, and potential teacher job loss.

In her statement, Thompson said teachers are, "enabling students to skip classes. And even when students are in class, too many teachers are choosing to use students as a captive audience for the union's political agenda."

Karen Bratina, president, TLETL and Colin Matthew, president, OSSTF District 15, said Thompson "dismissed the activism of the student organizers and attempted to spin a false narrative about the role of teachers and teachers' unions."

"We've had several questions asked of us about organization and I think the path was very clear leading up to [the walkout]," said Hope. "There was a tremendous amount of

social media traffic by young people about this, there was a very good network of students who brought their voice to the table, and we saw that through the media, we saw it through social media, so I think everyone was very aware of this."

Thompson said she "expects all boards, to take action to discipline anyone who abandons their classroom responsibilities."

"Public education is a right of all Ontarians," reads the TLETL and OSSTF's letter to Hope. "Teachers and education workers are highly trained professionals who work every day in the best interests of their students. Given both the importance of an educated populace and the cost of public education, the people of Ontario deserve the facts when it comes to their education system including the integrity and professionalism of the teachers and the leadership, both locally and provincially."

The open letter called on Hope "to set the record straight and reassure the public that not only were no teachers disciplined with regards to the student walkout but that both the school board and the teachers of TLDSB continue to act in accordance with the standards of their profession and work in the best interest of students, parents, and the education community in accordance with the laws of Ontario."

Hope said work done on the TLDSB strategic plan about two years ago saw feedback from parents, staff and students asking the board to value the strength of everyone's voice.

"So we've ... built a foundation of valuing the voice of our constituents, whether that be parents or students or staff," he said. "And so when students have a voice, in whatever way they do it, so long as it's respectful, so long as it's safe, so long as it is truly founded on what they believe in, we pay attention to that and we value the voice of our young people."

Hope said parents were sent a message prior to the event happening to inform them their students might choose to walkout, and asking parents to discuss safety, and respectful behaviour with their kids if they were opting to walk out and participate in the protest.

Students absent from class were marked accordingly in attendance records.

About 50 students participated in the HHSS walkout, which was organized by Grade 12 student Chloé Samson.

No BIA in Minden for now

by **CHAD INGRAM**
Times Staff

There will be no business improvement area in Minden, at least for the time being.

The potential creation of a BIA was one of the items on economic development, destination and marketing officer Emily Stonehouse's to-do list when she stepped into the role, a new one for the township, last fall.

A business improvement area is different than a business association, the latter being a collective of business owners working together on promotional ideas, cross-promotion, beautification projects, etc., and the former being a group of building owners within a defined geographic area who are mandated to contribute financially to such efforts. Downtown Haliburton has a BIA, for example.

"This is something I've decided to revise slightly," said Stonehouse, who's been in discussions with business owners. Instead of a formal BIA, Stonehouse said she's looking at creating a sort of business stakeholder committee, which could potentially evolve into a BIA in the future.

Last year, Minden Hills was approved for \$43,000 in funding for main street revitalization activities, and Stonehouse had compiled a list of items on which that money will be spent. There is \$6,000 allotted for wayfinding signage and murals, some of which are to feature the art of Andre Lapine. There is \$5,000 for waste receptacles in downtown Minden; \$5,000 for benches; \$7,000 for decorative lighting; \$1,500 for custom planter boxes; \$10,000 for additional planters; \$1,500 for hanging baskets; \$1,000 for event signage; and \$1,000 to upgrade shrub beds.

There is also \$5,000 allotted for beautifying the bus stop area at Minden Mercantile & Feed Co., which Stonehouse noted is an entry point to the community, "and is essentially a parking lot."



Woodpecker condos?

Linda Brandon submitted this photo she took while strolling along Minden's Riverwalk on April 11. A woodpecker has been busy there for some time, it appears.



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Forest Festival focuses on indoor venue in 2019

The annual Forest Festival, held at Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve, will be basing its concerts out of the upgraded Logging Museum as it completes renovations on the Bone Lake Amphitheatre this season.

Organizers released details about the upcoming season, which runs from Aug. 14 to 18 and includes Steven Page, The Slocan Ramblers, The Satallites, Collette Savard and The Savants, Soul Stew, Amanda Rheame, and CBC's Tom Allen.

For the first time, the festival will be offering licensed dance parties – on Friday, Aug. 16 and Saturday, Aug. 17. "Get your boogie on with two of Canada's best party bands," a release from the Forest Festival reads.

The festival wraps with Tom Allen's chamber musical, described as "an adventure story set in the future, with classical music and original songs. Featuring Patricia O'Callaghan."

For more details about performers, check out the festival's Facebook page.

Clothes Encounters of the Thrift Kind prepares for busy summer

by SUE TIFFIN
Times Staff

Jodi Paterson managed to slow down and retire for a year and a half, but now she's a familiar face in Minden's business community once again.

During that time away from Minden's Home Hardware, which she sold in 2017 after 14 years of co-owning the business, she had the opportunity to help keep a local store open and finds she is once again working full-time.

In February, Paterson purchased Clothes Encounters of the Thrift Kind, located on Minden's main street, from original shop owner Anna Vince.

"I'm one of those people who can't sit still, I like to keep busy," said Paterson. "I was retired for a year and a half, and then this came up, and I didn't want to see Minden losing a thrift shop."

Since purchasing the downtown shop, which has a large

storefront window on Bobcaygeon Road displaying the wide variety of clothing items on offer, Paterson said she has revamped it a bit, making a few changes to show off what is available. The store offers gently worn clothing that includes outerwear, jeans, dresses, jewellery, business wear, kids clothing and shoes and boots, and makes available affordable clothing options without shoppers having to drive far, or buy brand new.

"I've always said [people] need to shop local," said Paterson. "Somebody always finds something in this store. Everything I sell, it starts at fifty cents. I don't think there's anything more than \$20, maybe a tuxedo that's worth a little bit more. [There's] something in there for everybody. I always promote shopping local, no matter what store it is."

In the winter season, Paterson notes the store had been a bit slow, but just this week traffic was getting heavier at Clothes Encounters, where she works with her daughter Erin Macleod. With racks full of carefully selected pieces intended for a wide variety of people, sizes and styles, Paterson said women's clothing has been the most popular seller thus far.

"Definitely women's clothing," she said. "The kid's clothing does well too. [But], women's clothing for sure, it's the most popular. There's a lot of dresses flying out right now, people are starting to look at the summer shoes, flip flops, bathing suits, cover-ups ..."

Though Paterson does not currently need more donations due to space constraints, she is honouring former credit initiative cards created by Vince, and said she would welcome men's clothing and eventually more summery fashions. Additionally, with the loss of Minden's book store, she is planning to offer a corner of secondhand books.

Paterson said she has noticed the importance of the store for people looking for a wide variety of affordable clothing

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Compost giveaway in Dorset

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The District of Muskoka's annual compost giveaway is coming to the Township of Lake of Bays in Dorset on Tuesday, April 23, from 10 a.m. until they run out, at the Dorset Transfer Station, 21909 Highway 35. Free compost will be available at the giveaway event but limited material is available at each location. For best results a 60 per cent topsoil and 40 per cent compost mix is recommended. For more information please visit muskokarecycles.ca or contact your local area municipality.



Windows / Door Replacement Tender

The Township of Algonquin Highlands is seeking sealed bids from those interested in replacing selected windows and door at the following two locations:
Township Office, 1123 North Shore Road.
Stanhope Library, 1109 North Shore Road.

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Tender and submission documents can be found at www.algonquinhighlands.ca

For further information contact:
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Store offers wide variety of clothing

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options nearby or in a pinch. One customer, she notes, has four children and stops in weekly for something for the kids or herself.

"She'll walk out of there with four outfits for \$50, so she's pretty happy," said Paterson.

Though eventually, Paterson is looking forward to gardening and volunteering and perhaps taking more of a part-time role,



Clothes Encounters of the Thrift Kind, located on Minden's main street, offers a wide variety of carefully selected, gently used items at affordable prices. The store was purchased in February by Jodi Paterson, who said it is an important part of the community. /SUE TIFFIN Staff

she is focused on making sure Minden's secondhand clothing shop stays open and serves the community.

"I think every small town needs a thrift

store like that," she said.

Clothes Encounters of the Thrift Kind, at 112 Bobcaygeon Road, is currently open winter hours on Tuesday to Friday

from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Follow shop news on Facebook at Clothes Encounters of the Thrift Kind.

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Ready for Easter

Haliburton Home-School students and parents apply coloured paint to egg shells, as part of an Easter egg decorating session on Thursday, April 11./DARREN LUM Staff



Darby Bayly applies paint to her egg shell, as part of an Easter egg decorating session she led for Haliburton Home School students on Thursday, April 11 at her Minden residence. There were eight participants, which included parents participating with their children.



Haliburton Home School student Olivia Humphries paints her egg shell, as part of an Easter egg decorating session on Thursday, April 11 in Minden. There were eight participants, which included parents participating with their children.

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Beauty of a show

Members of the Minden Figure Skating Club perform a pinwheel during the club's production.

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Answers on page 18



Jayde Rowden, as Belle, goes to touch the forbidden rose during the Minden Figure Skating Club's production of Beauty and the Beast at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena on April 14. /CHAD INGRAM Staff



Four-time world figure skating champion Kurt Browning was a special guest. Browning, umbrella in hand, wowed the crowd with a Gene Kelly-inspired Singing in the Rain number.



The end of an ensemble number during the Minden Figure Skating Club's production of Beauty and the Beast. There were two performances of the show.



The Minden Figure Skating Club's April 14 production of Beauty and the Beast featured elaborate costumes, such as those for Cogsworth and Mrs. Potts.

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Wildcats finish semi-finalists

The Archie Stouffer Elementary School Wildcats girls' basketball team finished as semi-finalists in the Division A Intermediate Girls County Tournament on Tuesday, April 9 at the Minden elementary school. Coach Cheryl Patterson wrote the "basketball team came together to play the best basketball they've played yet! They were unstoppable in their first two games, but lost a hard fought semi-final game vs. Jack Callaghan." The team includes, back row from left, Charlotte Moynes, Abby Rosik, Ava Allaire, Macy Thompson and front row from left, Emily Sherbakov, Sofie Mills, Destiny Brown, Baylie Stover, Aleyah McGovern. Missing from the photo are Maria O'Malley, Georgia Code and Melanie Walters. ASES beat Woodville 32-4; ASES beat Lady Mackenzie 21-6 and then lost ASES lost 13-7 to Jack Callaghan. Coaches were Patterson and Tracey Benson. Submitted by Cheryl Patterson

Bowling Scores

Monday afternoon, April 8

High Average (cumulative)

Women – Chris Cote – 180

Men – Gary hunt – 206

This Week's Highs – Women

High Single – Chris Cote – 229

High Single Hcp – Chris Cote – 266

High Triple – Chris Cote – 622

High Triple Hcp – Chris Cote – 733

This Weeks Highs – Men

High Single – Claude Cote – 261

High Single Hcp – Jim Griffiths & John Whitty – 298

High Triple – Claude Cote – 697

High Triple Hcp – Claude Cote – 754

Tuesday afternoon, April 9

Men

High Average Claude Cote 205

High Single Dave Tipton 272

High Single H/C Dave Tipton 300

High Triple Dave Tipton 709

High Triple H/C Dave Tipton 793

Women

High Average Chris Cote 186

High Single Chris Cote 199

High Single H/C Shirley Venner 273

High Triple Chris Cote 581

High Triple H/C Shirley Venner 719

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June 30 (7:30 p.m.), July 1 (2 p.m.)

July 2-4 (7:30 p.m.), 5 & 7 (2 p.m. matinee), 8 & 9 (7:30 p.m.)

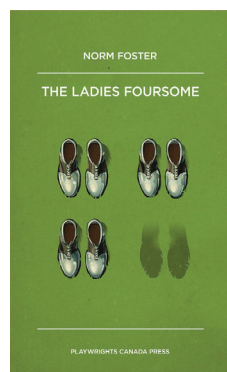
Music and lyrics by Richard M. Sherman and Robert B. Sherman

Be prepared to be swept away when the musical Mary Poppins captures your heart in a whole new way! The irresistible story and unforgettable songs are on stage this summer presented by the Highlands Summer Festival. Everyone's favourite nanny swoops in to teach the Banks family a lesson or two about love and imagination. They learn a great deal about each other from Mary, who has the uncanny ability to turn everything upside down and, miraculously, just right. Like the nanny herself, you'll fall in love all over again with the practically perfect classic songs like 'A Spoonful of Sugar', 'Chim Chim Cher-ee', 'Let's Go Fly a Kite' and 'Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious' come to life in the beloved musical. Youth pricing (\$20/seat, 18 & under) for all three matinee performances.

Brooke Johnson's TRUDEAU STORIES

July 10 & 11 (7:30 p.m.), 12 (2 p.m. matinee)

Written and performed by Brooke Johnson
A remarkable story of a surprising friendship, this solo show has been affecting audiences and wowing critics across the country since it premiered at Toronto's Summerworks Theatre Festival in 2007. In 1985, while she was a student at the National Theatre School in Montreal, Brooke Johnson became friends with Pierre Elliott Trudeau. Through reminiscences, journal entries and correspondence, Brooke gives us a personal insight into the man and the times that is "not to be missed". At once vital and charming; poignant and very funny, Trudeau Stories is about friendship and loss ... and about who the heck we think we are.



THE LADIES FOURSOME

July 29-Aug (7:30 p.m.), 2 & 4 (2 p.m. matinee), Aug 6-8 (7:30 p.m.)

By Norm Foster

Imagine Sex and the City on a golf course! Canada's best-loved storyteller, Norm Foster, is back, this time with hijinks on the links in The Ladies Foursome. It's the day after the funeral, and three women gather for a round of golf in honour of their recently departed fourth. They are joined at the tee by an old friend of the deceased and many surprises, secrets and confessions come to the surface during this hilarious and heartwarming round of golf. Absolutely no topic is off limits with this foursome as they take on the challenges of the course ... and each other. As raucous, rowdy, and hilarious a journey as you've ever been on, don't miss this newest must-see comedy hit!



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CFUW Speaker: Julia Sutton

When: Thursday, April 18, 7 to 8 p.m.

Where: Abbey Gardens Retreat Centre

We are eager to hear from Julia who will speak about natural shorelines and landscape restoration, creating spaces for humans and wildlife with native plants.

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Historical Society Talk: Ted Brandon

When: Thursday, April 25, 1:30 p.m. light refreshments, 2 p.m. speaker

Where: Haliburton Highlands Museum

Hosted by the Haliburton County Historical Society. Ted Brandon, president of the Haliburton Rotary Club will walk us through 75 years of Rotary presence in Haliburton County.

The Choice

A Good Friday cantata directed by Melissa Stephens

When: Friday, April 19,

Where: 9 a.m. Highland Hills United Church in Minden

11:15 a.m. at Haliburton United Church in Haliburton Presented by the combined choirs of Highland Hills United Church and Haliburton United Church and several actors. All are welcome.

Haliburton: Sexual Health Clinic

When: Wednesday, April 24, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm.

The clinic provides clients with confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. Testing and treatment of

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Free Used Music!

When: Thursday, April 25 and Friday, April 26

Where: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion

Used music will be available during the music festival thanks to several county musicians. The music is free - we just want it to go to a good home - but if you would like to make a donation to the music festival to help cover festival expenses, that would be very welcome. You don't have to be attending the festival to drop by and have a look - everyone is welcome!

Haliburton Highlands Music Festival - Day 1

When: Thursday, April 25

Where: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion

Cost: Free

Come and here the performers in this year's music festival. They love to have an audience, and it's a great chance to hear our local music students and performers. The instrumental classes are in the morning and early afternoon, and the vocal and choral classes are mid-afternoon through the evening.

Haliburton Highlands Music Festival - Day 2

When: Friday, April 26

Where: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion

Cost: Free

Come and here the performers in this year's music festival. They love to have an audience, and it's a great chance to hear our local music students and performers. The piano classes will be held in the morning, afternoon, and evening.

Pancake/Sausage Brunch and Bake Sale

When: Saturday, April 27, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Where: Lochlin United Church, 1050 Lochlin Road, off Gelert Road (County Rd. 1).

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When: Saturday, April 27, doors open at 5 p.m.

Where: Haliburton Legion

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Location: Medeba

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Earth Day Celebration

When: Saturday, April 27 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Where: Robert McCausland Community Centre

Gooderham Community Action Group hosting Earth Day celebration and town clean up. Meet at the community centre at 10 a.m. where gloves and bags will be distributed. At 12 p.m. we will meet back for hot chocolate and hot dogs. Family event with activities for kids.

Contact: Denise White/Winder, 705-447-2953

Let's Get Rolling

When: Sunday April 28, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Where: Minden Community Centre

A Haliburton Real Easy Ryders event. This is a social event with coffee, tea and goodies as well as information about the upcoming season. Registration will be available for those who have not already registered online. All levels of cyclists are welcome to join us! www.haliburtonrealeasyryders.com

CARP AGM

When: Sunday, April 28, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Where: Fish hatchery, 6712 Gelert Road, Haliburton

This free event includes light refreshments and will feature guest speaker William Thomas, an author and humour columnist.

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Haliburton Highlands Music Festival - Highlights Concert

When: Thursday, May 2

Where: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion

Cost: \$10

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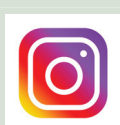
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If you are interested in joining the HHHS team for any of the above positions, or would like more information on the opportunities, please visit www.hhhs.ca or contact:

Human Resources Haliburton Highlands Health Services
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Fax: 705-457-4609

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- Knowledge of power equipment an asset

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650 OBITUARIES



In Loving Memory of
John "Jack" Edward Milburn

November 22, 1931 – April 14, 2019

Peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital, surrounded by those who loved him dearly, Jack passed away at the age of 87.

Beloved husband of the late Elva (Hicks). Dear father of Eric and Suzanne and Scott and Dawn. Loving grandpa to Taylor and Mike, Megan and Andy (Liam and Jack), Leandra and Bob (McKayla, Adrianna and Garrett). Jack was predeceased by his brother Bert, brother-in-law Gerald and sister-in-law Muriel. Lovingly remembered by his sister-in-law Betty. Beloved son of the late Richard and Dorothy.

Friends are invited visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden K0M 2K0 on Tuesday, April 23, 2019 from 4:00 until 7:00 pm. A Graveside Service will take place at the Ingoldsby Pioneer Cemetery at a later date. Cremation has taken place.

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Brown, Claire

October 26 1914, ~ April 4 2019

Passed after a brief medical event in Cambridge On.

Claire had just returned from Florida, enjoying the sun, reading, and spending time with son, Stuart and his wife Janet Campbell. Fiercely proud, always caring, and will always be remembered by family and friends. Predeceased by husband Douglas Dean Brown (1981) and daughter Jocelyn Bareich (1995). Claire was a long time resident of Echo Bay on Boshkung Lake, and was active in volunteer and social events throughout Haliburton County. Cremation has taken place, with interment to follow at Twelve Mile Church this summer.



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Highlights

Records fall

Records were tumbling all around the grounds last Tuesday during the track and field meet at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. In all, 10 records were shattered.

Please see page 7.

No grants

The Ministry of Education has finalized its list of school boards to get capital grants in the next three years and Haliburton is not included.

Please see page 9.

Spring

When people think of the Highlands, they usually think of the traditional summer and winter activities. However, many are aware that spring can be one of the most enjoyable seasons in these parts.

Please see page 13.

Bob Vick

The man who sat at the helm in Snowdon Township for more than two decades will be honoured by friends and neighbours.

Please see page 17.

Kids' safety

Haliburton schools will begin teaching a personal safety program this fall to help children deal with physical and sexual abuse.

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It was an active day at Queen's Park last Tuesday as Lieutenant Governor Lincoln Alexander gave the Speech from the Throne. Minden Reeve Ray Moore was at Queen's Park as a guest of Victoria-Haliburton MPP John Eakins to hear the speech and attend a reception afterwards. Other guests from Victoria and Haliburton Counties included Lutterworth Reeve Carol Puffer, Somerville Reeve Bryce Young and Victoria County Warden Dennis Sweeting. Seen here, Moore is greeted by the Lieutenant Governor during the reception. Seen in the background is Warden Sweeting.

Amalgamation is inevitable

Eakins calls for input in county government revision

Haliburton County will see some dramatic changes in the next five years if, as expected, the Minister of Municipal Affairs adopts most of the 41 recommendations from the most recent report on County Government in Ontario.

Because of the potential change that could result if these recommendations are adopted, Municipal Affairs Minister John Eakins is inviting comment from county councillors, municipal councillors and the public.

"I want to hear your views on this report by July 14," Eakins told a gathering of county wardens on April 20. "If you can think of better solutions than those proposed by the committee, please tell me about them."

Eakins expects that some of the recommendations in the report will spark controversy. He may be in for a surprise, though, since the recommendations themselves were derived from comments made by county and municipal councillors.

The report was called for after an earlier report by an advisory committee came out with recommendations to overhaul the 140-year-old system of government. The Consultation Committee was formed to tour the province meeting with members of the 26 county councils and other interested parties and report back to the minister.

Still, though, there is bound to be some controversy arising from the recommendations that will ultimately lead to amalgamation of the smaller townships in the Highlands to form larger, more efficient municipalities.

One recommendation in this report suggests that the minimum population base for a municipality to support efficient cost-effective services would be 4,000. Since Haliburton County has a population of about 12,000, that recommendation, if endorsed, would reduce the number of municipalities in Haliburton from 10 to three.

Eakins, himself, has admitted that this recommendation may not be workable in all cases. To remedy this, a second recommendation suggests that some municipalities be allowed to have a population base of less than 4,000 if the population density, geographic isolation, nature of the economy or natural location of a service area warrant a smaller size.

Regardless of this secondary recommendation, Haliburton County is bound to see a significant reduction in the number of municipalities. How those amalgamations will be made is ultimately up to the local politicians.

Recommendation number 27 in this report suggests that a study be undertaken in each county in order to consider reorganization of the county structure in line with the directions outlined in the Government Policy Statement. These further studies to be undertaken by the counties will recognize the unique nature of each county and produce recommendations tailored to fit the circumstances of each area.

The Consultation Committee has recommended that

(more on page 10)

School taxes jump 15.7%

by Jay Kerr-Wilson

The Haliburton County Board of Education has passed its 1989 budget leading to a 15.7 per cent increase in the amount raised through local property taxes.

The budget itself only grew by 9.8 per cent but, because provincial grants did not increase in proportion to the growth of the board, the money will have to be raised locally. The province increased its contribution to the board's budget by only \$31,360, less than a one per cent increase over last year's grant.

The total board expenditures expected for 1989 are \$11,866,977. Of that 34 per cent is contributed by the province and 65 per cent is raised by the municipalities through property taxes. Last year the province contributed 37 per cent of the board's budget.

The board's Business Administrator, Jim Bradley, said his original proposed budget called for an expenditure increase of 12 per cent over 1988 but the board wanted to keep the increase below 10 per cent. In order to trim the budget, Bradley calculated how much money would have to come off each school's list of expenditures and let the principals decide where the cuts in their schools should be made.

In structure, very little has changed from last year's budget. Salaries and benefits still account for about 68 per cent of the expenditures, transportation accounts for 11 per cent, and 12.8 per cent is spent on supplies. The remaining seven per cent is spent on tuition fees, repairs and alterations, capital costs, and debt charges.

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Canal Lake \$294,900

- 4-season turnkey cottage
- Tidy open-concept 3 bedroom
- Water access with western exposure 100 steps away.



Drew Bishop**
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Redstone Lake \$1,695,000

- Newly constructed custom log home/cottage
- Approx. 4500+ sq ft, 4 bedrooms, 5 baths
- Southern exposure, sand beach, 1+ acres



Dagmar Boettcher**
457-5968

2 Lake Chain

- Winterized cottage/home on 2 lake chain
- 1200+ sq.ft. with 3 bdrm and 2 baths
- Separate 100 sq. ft. sauna plus storage bld.
- Large multi level decking lakeside + newer dock



Kim Butt*
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Gull River Home \$319,500

- Minden Village waterfront opportunity
- Gull River home plus separate cottage
- Over 1/2 acre, landscaped, level property



Gloria Carnochan*
754-1932

Kennisis Lake 140' Fr \$675,000

- Yr Rnd 3 Bdrm, 1500 Sq Ft, 2 Baths, Closed Porch
- 4 Decks, Metal Roof, Wood Stove, Cabin & Storage
- Level & Rock Out Crops, Natural Grounds, & Shore



Mark Denny**
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Country Home w/Acreage \$389,900

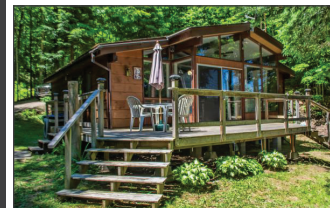
- Apprx 497 Ft. Rd Frtg., 8.10 Acres
- Apprx 1660 Sq Ft., 3 Bdrm, 2 Bath
- Single & Two Car Garage, 24x24 Ft Barn



Tom Ecclestone*
286-2138 x 26

Gull River \$345,900

- 3-bedroom Cottage on Minden's Gull River
- 1100 sq. feet, open concept living, furnished
- Western exposure, sandy beach and deep water



Lindsay Elder**
457-5878

Esson Creek \$389,000

- Clean & tidy year-round cottage on the water
- Nicely finished 3-bedroom, picturesque property
- Updates include floors, kitchen and bathroom



Lee Gauthier**
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Kushog Lake \$449,000

- 2 bdrm cottage, Bunkie, dbl-car Garage
- In great shape, vinyl exteriors
- Flat west exp 100 ft lot w/ hard sand, weedless frontage



Fred Heinzler**
786-5825

Exclusive waterfront listing \$699,000

- Custom built, 3300 sq. ft. home with 4 beds, 4 baths (partially completed)
- Over 500' waterfront on quiet lake in Lake of Bays area



Andrew Hodgson**
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Gull Lake Cottage \$549,900

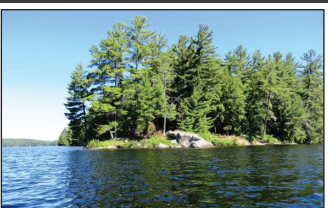
- 4 season, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths
- Beautiful view of Gull Lake
- One of our premier lakes, great boating, fishing & more!



Susanne James*
& Andy Mosher**
457-2128 x 33

Miskwabi Lake \$499,900

- Great 3BR family cottage on 2-lake chain
- Deep clean shoreline
- Large lakeside deck and docking system
- Easy year-round Municipal road access



Rosemarie Jung*
457-7049

Private Lot on Kushog Lake \$239,900

- Southern 4 acre point of Goat Island
- 1290' of Waterfrontage, excellent Swimming
- Make this your Serene HAPPY PLACE



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Hot Spring Market

- Listing needed for the Hot spring market!
- Call me today if your are considering selling!



Brandon Nimigon*
457-2128 x 27

Kashagawigamog Lake \$62,000

- Fractional Ownership, 4 Season, 3 Bedrooms
- Fixed week, 2nd week of July, & 4 rotating weeks
- On our premier 5 lake chain, 45+ miles of boating!



Karen Nimigon**
457-2128 x 29

East Moore Lake \$875,000

- 3 lake chain, south exposure, sand shoreline
- Cottage 1 is 1400sf, with 4 bedrooms, 2 baths
- Cottage 2 is 900sf with 2 bedrooms, 1 bath



Kirsten Rae*
286-2138 x 30

Redstone Lake \$734,900

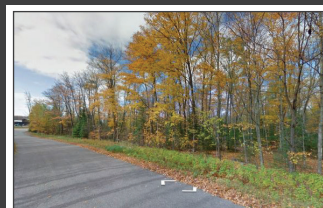
- Beautiful 3-bedroom, 2 bath home or cottage
- Large windows & deck overlooking the lake
- Southern Exposure, sand beach on Redstone Lake



Darlene Reil*
447-2055

Strong Spring Market

- This is the time to think about listing
- We are running out of listings
- Call today for more information



Christine Sharp*
286-2138 x59

Deeded Moose Lake Access \$97,600

- Over an acre of land
- Steps from Sir Sam's ski hill
- Easy access



Greg Stamp*
457-2128 x 28

Hunter Creek Estates \$129,000

- Recently renovated home with 3 bedrooms
- New flooring, freshly painted, new electric furnace
- Located on a large corner lot, minutes to Minden



Melanie Vigrass*
286-2138 x 32

Maple Lake \$449,000

- Completely Renovated 3 Bdrm Home/Cottage
- Cathedral Ceilings, Pine Accents
- Certified Wood Stove
- Southern Exposure, Sand Beach



Tom Wilkinson*
286-2138 x 23

Salerno Lake \$320,000

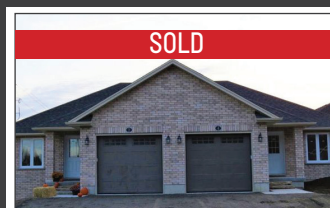
- Cozy 2 bedroom year round living
- Large 4.8 acre private lot
- Requires a few finishing touches



Andrea Wilson**
457-2128 x 25

Haliburton Village Home \$519,000

- 3-bedroom, 2.5 bath home on over an acre
- Open concept principle rooms, Dbl det'd garage
- Access to private, members only park



Rosemarie Jung*
457-7049

2 & 4 Highland Gate Blvd \$319,000

- 1150 sf 2-bedroom semi-detached bungalow
- Low maintenance lot on town water & sewers
- Come take a 'look-see' and be surprised!

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